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### **BARRICADED GUNMAN / OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING 200 BLOCK OF WEST ROGER ROAD**

The Tucson Police Department is investigating an officer involved shooting that took place early this morning in the 200 block of W. Roger Rd. following an overnight standoff with an armed barricaded male.

On January 17, 2016, just before 4:45 p.m., officers from Operations Division West responded to an apartment in the 200 block of W. Roger Rd. in reference to a male caller reporting an assault. Officers arrived on scene and were unable to verify the initial report. However, the officers did become concerned about the welfare of the male caller. The officers attempted many times to speak to the male inside the residence, but he refused. They were eventually able to identify the male caller as 33-year-old Jordan Szymanski.

Around 6:00 p.m. Mr. Szymanski called 911 again and advised he was going to start shooting. Officers responded back to the residence to make contact with him. As officers were investigating this threat, they learned a separate threat report was filed with the Oro Valley Police Department where Mr. Szymanski allegedly threatened to shoot someone. Officers learned Mr. Szymanski had access to weapons.

The officers continued their attempts to speak with Mr. Szymanski while other officers evacuated nearby residences. Just before 9:00 p.m., Mr. Szymanski began firing shots inside his residence. Additional evacuations were conducted and Roger Rd. between Oracle Rd. and Stone Ave. was closed. Officers from the Tucson Police Department SWAT Team, Hostage Negotiation Unit, Bomb Unit, K-9 Unit, Air Unit and the Mental Health Support Team all responded to the incident. Officers from the Pima County Sheriff's Office and members from the Tucson Fire Department also responded to assist.

The officers contacted Mr. Szymanski utilizing various means throughout the night. However, Mr. Szymanski continued firing shots from inside the residence and refused to come outside. Around 3:00 a.m. Mr. Szymanski emerged from the residence with a weapon and fired several shots. Officer Brandon Jimenez, a 15-year veteran with the Tucson Police Department and a member of the SWAT Team returned fire, striking Mr. Szymanski. The officers immediately rendered first-aid and summoned the paramedics who were on scene. The male was pronounced deceased on scene at 03:20 a.m. Next of kin have been notified. No citizens or officers were reported injured. Throughout the course of this incident, several apartments, a citizen's vehicle and a marked Tucson Police vehicle were struck by Mr. Szymanski's gunfire.

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Detectives from the Homicide Unit and the Office of Internal Affairs responded to continue the investigation. As is standard practice in all officer involved shootings, the Homicide Unit will conduct a criminal investigation into the incident. Additionally, the Office of Internal Affairs will conduct a separate and parallel administrative investigation to examine the actions of department personnel in response to this incident.

The investigation is ongoing and additional details will be released as they become available.

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